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Advice Letter 5559-G

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SUBJECT: November 2019 Standby Procurement Charges.

Dear Mr. van der Leeden,

Advice Letter 5559-G is effective as of December 23, 2019.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Edward Randolph".

Edward Randolph
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December 23, 2019

Advice No. 5559
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Public Utilities Commission of the State of California

Subject: November 2019 Standby Procurement Charges

Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) hereby submits for approval by the California Public Utilities Commission (Commission) revisions to its tariff schedules, applicable throughout its service territory, as shown in Attachment A.

Purpose

This routine monthly submittal updates the Standby Procurement Charges in Schedule No. G-IMB for November 2019.

Background

Resolution G-3316, dated May 24, 2001, and Advice No. (AL) 4133, submitted on July 2, 2010 and effective on August 1, 2010, revised the Schedule No. G-IMB Standby Procurement Charge for negative monthly transportation imbalances that exceed the 8% tolerance band. AL 5179, submitted on August 28, 2017 and effective October 1, 2017, revised the Schedule No. G-IMB Standby Procurement Charge by replacing the "InterContinental Daily Indices – SoCal Border" with "SNL Energy's Daily Indices – SoCal Border." The Standby Procurement Charges are:

1. Calculated at 150% of the highest daily border price index at the Southern California border for the period plus a Brokerage Fee of 0.266¢ per therm for noncore retail service and all wholesale service, and 0.208¢ per therm for core retail service. The highest daily border price index is an average of the highest prices from "NGL's Daily Gas Price Index - Southern California Border Average" and "SNL Energy's Daily Indices - SoCal Border."

2. Calculated for a period that begins from the first day of the “flow month” (the month that the imbalance is incurred) and ends five days prior to the start of the imbalance trading period.
3. Posted at least one day in advance of the imbalance trading period.

Information

For the “flow month” of November 2019 (covering the period November 1, 2019 to December 20, 2019), the highest daily border price index at the Southern California border is \$0.42390 per therm. The resultant Standby Procurement Charges, calculated in the manner set forth above, are \$0.63851 per therm for noncore retail service and all wholesale service, and \$0.63793 per therm for core retail service. The work paper showing details of the calculation of these rates is incorporated herein as Attachment B.

Protest

Anyone may protest this Advice Letter to the Commission. The protest must state the grounds upon which it is based, including such items as financial and service impact, and should be submitted expeditiously. The protest must be made in writing and received within 20 days of the date of this Advice Letter, which is January 12, 2020. The address for mailing or delivering a protest to the Commission is:

CPUC Energy Division
Attention: Tariff Unit
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102

A copy of the protest should also be sent via e-mail to the attention of the Energy Division Tariff Unit (EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov). A copy of the protest shall also be sent via both e-mail and facsimile to the address shown below on the same date it is mailed or delivered to the Commission.

Attn: Ray B. Ortiz
Tariff Manager - GT14D6
555 West Fifth Street
Los Angeles, CA 90013-1011
Facsimile No.: (213) 244-4957
E-mail: ROrtiz@socalgas.com

Effective Date

SoCalGas believes this Advice Letter is subject to Energy Division disposition and should be classified as Tier 1 (effective pending disposition) pursuant to General Order (GO) 96-B. SoCalGas respectfully requests that the tariff sheets submitted herein be made effective December 23, 2019, the date submitted, in order to comply with the Resolution G-3316 requirement that the rates be posted at least one day in advance of the start of the imbalance trading period, which is December 25, 2019.

Notice

A copy of this Advice Letter is being sent to SoCalGas' GO 96-B service list. Address change requests to the GO 96-B service list should be directed via e-mail to Tariffs@socalgas.com or call 213-244-2837.

Ronald van der Leeden
Director – Regulatory Affairs

Attachments



ADVICE LETTER SUMMARY

ENERGY UTILITY



MUST BE COMPLETED BY UTILITY (Attach additional pages as needed)

Company name/CPUC Utility No.:

Utility type:

ELC GAS WATER
 PLC HEAT

Contact Person:

Phone #:
E-mail:
E-mail Disposition Notice to:

EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE

ELC = Electric GAS = Gas WATER = Water
PLC = Pipeline HEAT = Heat

(Date Submitted / Received Stamp by CPUC)

Advice Letter (AL) #:

Tier Designation:

Subject of AL:

Keywords (choose from CPUC listing):

AL Type: Monthly Quarterly Annual One-Time Other:

If AL submitted in compliance with a Commission order, indicate relevant Decision/Resolution #:

Does AL replace a withdrawn or rejected AL? If so, identify the prior AL:

Summarize differences between the AL and the prior withdrawn or rejected AL:

Confidential treatment requested? Yes No

If yes, specification of confidential information:

Confidential information will be made available to appropriate parties who execute a nondisclosure agreement. Name and contact information to request nondisclosure agreement/ access to confidential information:

Resolution required? Yes No

Requested effective date:

No. of tariff sheets:

Estimated system annual revenue effect (%):

Estimated system average rate effect (%):

When rates are affected by AL, include attachment in AL showing average rate effects on customer classes (residential, small commercial, large C/I, agricultural, lighting).

Tariff schedules affected:

Service affected and changes proposed¹:

Pending advice letters that revise the same tariff sheets:

¹Discuss in AL if more space is needed.

Protests and all other correspondence regarding this AL are due no later than 20 days after the date of this submittal, unless otherwise authorized by the Commission, and shall be sent to:

CPUC, Energy Division
Attention: Tariff Unit
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102
Email: EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov

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Title:
Utility Name:
Address:
City:
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ATTACHMENT A
Advice No. 5559

Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.	Title of Sheet	Cancelling Cal. P.U.C. Sheet No.
Revised 56998-G	PRELIMINARY STATEMENT, PART II, SUMMARY OF RATES AND CHARGES, Sheet 6	Revised 56975-G
Revised 56999-G	Schedule No. G-IMB, TRANSPORTATION IMBALANCE SERVICE, Sheet 2	Revised 56939-G
Revised 57000-G	TABLE OF CONTENTS	Revised 56989-G
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PRELIMINARY STATEMENT
 PART II
SUMMARY OF RATES AND CHARGES

Sheet 6

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WHOLESALE (Continued)

Schedule GT-TLS (ECOGAS)

GT-12CA, Class-Average Volumetric Rate Option	
Volumetric Charge	2.321¢
GT-12RS, Reservation Rate Option	
Reservation Rate, per therm per day	0.709¢
Usage Charge, per therm	1.270¢
Volumetric Transportation Charge for Non-Bypass Customers	2.669¢
Volumetric Transportation Charge for Bypass Customers	3.133¢

PROCUREMENT CHARGE

Schedule G-CP

Non-Residential Core Procurement Charge, per therm	38.067¢
Non-Residential Cross-Over Rate, per therm	40.818¢
Residential Core Procurement Charge, per therm	38.067¢
Residential Cross-Over Rate, per therm	40.818¢
Adjusted Core Procurement Charge, per therm	38.906¢

IMBALANCE SERVICE

Standby Procurement Charge

Core Retail Standby (SP-CR)	
September 2019	56.991¢
October 2019	48.891¢
November 2019	63.793¢
Noncore Retail Standby (SP-NR)	
September 2019	57.049¢
October 2019	48.949¢
November 2019	63.851¢
Wholesale Standby (SP-W)	
September 2019	57.049¢
October 2019	48.949¢
November 2019	63.851¢

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Schedule No. G-IMB
TRANSPORTATION IMBALANCE SERVICE

Sheet 2

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RATES (Continued)

Standby Procurement Charge

This charge is applied to customer's cumulative negative transportation imbalance (confirmed transportation deliveries less actual usage) exceeding the 8 percent tolerance band. The Standby Procurement Charge is posted at least one day in advance of each corresponding imbalance trading period for noncore/wholesale and core transport agents (CTAs). It is calculated at 150% of the highest daily border price index at the Southern California border beginning on the first day of the month that the imbalance is created to five days prior to the start of each corresponding imbalance trading period plus a Brokerage Fee of 0.266¢ per therm for noncore retail service and all wholesale service, and 0.208¢ per therm for core retail service. The highest daily border price index is an average of the highest prices from "Natural Gas Intelligence's (NGI's) Daily Gas Price Index – Southern California Border Average" and "SNL Energy's Daily Indices – SoCal Border."

Core Retail Service:

SP-CR Standby Rate, per therm

September 2019	56.991¢
October 2019	48.891¢
November 2019	63.793¢

Noncore Retail Service:

SP-NR Standby Rate, per therm

September 2019	57.049¢
October 2019	48.949¢
November 2019	63.851¢

Wholesale Service:

SP-W Standby Rate per therm

September 2019	57.049¢
October 2019	48.949¢
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ATTACHMENT B

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**RATE CALCULATION WORK PAPER
SCHEDULE NO. G-IMB STANDBY PROCUREMENT CHARGE SUBMITTAL
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G-IMB Standby Procurement Charge Calculation

The highest daily border price index is an average of the highest prices from
“NGI’s Daily Gas Price Index - Southern California Border Average”
and “SNL Energy Daily Indices - SoCal Border.”

The highest daily border price index for the period was on December 18, 2019

12/18/19 NGI’s Daily Gas Price Index (NDGPI) = \$0.39800 per therm

12/18/19 SNL Energy Daily Indices (SNLDI) = \$0.44980 per therm

Highest Daily Border Price Index (HDBPI) = (NDGPI + SNLDI) / 2

HDBPI = \$0.42390 per therm

SP-CR (Core Retail) = 150% x HDBPI + Core Brokerage Fee

SP-CR = 150% x \$0.42390 + \$0.00208 = \$0.63793

SP-NR (Noncore Retail) = 150% x HDBPI + Noncore Brokerage Fee

SP-NR = 150% x \$0.42390 + \$0.00266 = \$0.63851

SP-W (Wholesale) = 150% x HDBPI + Noncore Brokerage Fee

SP-W = 150% x \$0.42390 + \$0.00266 = \$0.63851